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Upon the instructions of my Government, in connection with Security Council resolution 792 (1992) on Cambodia which was adopted on 30 November 1992, I would like to convey to you the position of the Royal Thai Government on the matter (see annex).

I would be grateful if you would kindly arrange for this letter and its annex to be circulated as a document of the Security Council.

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Annex

Position of the Royal Thai Government with regard to Security Council resolution 792 (1992) on Cambodia

1. Thailand as a neighbouring country wishes to see genuine and lasting peace in Cambodia which will not only return normalcy to the border areas but will also create stability and prosperity to the region as a whole.

2. Genuine and lasting peace in Cambodia can be brought about only through the participation of all Cambodian parties in the peace process. Thailand has therefore supported all efforts to persuade the Party of Democratic Kampuchea (PDK) to comply with its obligations under the Paris Agreements and feels that the door should not be closed to negotiation with the PDK.

3. Thailand shares the view of the Secretary-General in his latest report (document S/24800 dated 15 November 1992) that "patient diplomacy" was the best means of getting the peace process back on track.

4. On the specific measures cited in Security Council resolution 792 (1992), Thailand is of the opinion that these measures must be realistic, implementable and consistent with the realities of the present situation. As a member in good standing of the United Nations, Thailand will comply with measures that may have effect on Thailand so long as these measures do not contravene Thai law or Thai sovereignty and territorial integrity. Furthermore, in devising detailed plans for the implementation of specific measures, neighbouring countries should be closely consulted in accordance with the provisions of Article 50 of the Charter of the United Nations.

5. With regard to the question of border checkpoints referred to in paragraph 12 of resolution 792 (1992), Thailand is of the view that such checkpoints must be established strictly in accordance with the terms of the Paris Agreements. Article VII, paragraph 3 (a) of the Agreements stipulates that checkpoints shall be established "along the routes and at selected locations along the Cambodian side of the border and at airfields inside Cambodia." Previous Security Council resolutions including resolution 783 (1992) of 13 October 1992 also referred to the "checkpoints in the country (Cambodia) and along its borders with neighbouring countries."